Microsphere-Based Osteochondral Scaffolds Carrying Opposing Gradients Of Decellularized Cartilage And Demineralized Bone Matrix

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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Figure S1. Implant placed in a defect in the medial femoral condyle (photo shows right knee). Immediately after being placed into the defect, the implant was infiltrated by marrow.



Figure S2. Histological and immunohistochemical (IHC) staining images for the BLANK implant along with their histological scores on top. First column represents images from the implant that received the highest histological score (10.2); second column represents images from the implant that received the second highest histological score (7.3); third column represents images from the implant that received the third highest histological score (6.7); and fourth column represents images from the implant that received the third highest histological score (6.0) in the BLANK group. The sections were stained for hematoxylin and eosin; safranin-O; collagen I; and collagen II. Negative controls for IHC were also run with the primary antibody omitted. The boxes in the top row outline the defect area. The regenerated tissue in the BLANK group was predominantly fibrous in nature with some evidence of cartilage repair and subchondral bone regeneration especially at the edges of the defect site. Scale bars: 500 µm.



Figure S3. Histological and immunohistochemical (IHC) staining images for the GRADIENT implants along with their histological scores on top. First column represents images from the implant that received the highest histological score (8.7); second column represents images from the implant that received the second highest histological score (8.0); third column represents images from the implant that received the third highest histological score (6.7); and fourth column represents images from the implant that received the third highest histological score (6.7); and fourth column represents images from the implant that received the lowest score (6.0) in the GRADIENT group. The sections were stained for hematoxylin and eosin; safranin-O; collagen I; and collagen II. Negative controls for IHC were also run with the primary antibody omitted. The boxes in the top row outline the defect area. The repair tissue was predominantly fibrous in nature with some evidence of cartilage repair. The subchondral bone region consisted of void areas with minimal bone regeneration. Scale bars: 500 µm.

